MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents

FROM: Dr. Stacey Hughes, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning

DATE: April 9, 2010

SUBJECT: Additional information required for the 2011 Indiana Teacher of the Year application

We appreciate your work in identifying and nominating an exemplary teacher from your school corporation who will compete for Indiana's 2011 Teacher of the Year award. One element of this competition is to submit a portfolio that is aligned to the National Teacher of the Year requirements. In addition to the portfolio's standard requirements, which were sent via Superintendents' Mail on February 26, 2010, the Indiana Department of Education expects each teacher to address how he or she has improved student achievement aligned to 90-25-90.

- 90% of students pass both Math and English/Language Arts sections of ISTEP+ and End-of-Course Assessments
- 25% of all graduates receive a score of 3, 4, or 5 on at least one Advanced Placement exam, a 4 or higher on an International Baccalaureate exam, or receive the equivalent of 3 semester hours of college credit during their high school years
- 90% of students graduate from high school

We also expect the teacher to demonstrate how he or she has achieved high rates of student growth within one school year.

There are multiples ways to integrate this in the portfolio. The teacher has the autonomy to decide in which section to place the data. However, please make adherence to this requirement explicit in your document.

As a reminder, the portfolio is due July, 31, 2010.